The country is fully dependent on imports to meet the requirement of Muriate of Potash (MOP) as there is no exploitable reserve of MOP in the country. The average normative delivered price MOP was Rs. 11049 per MT and the average subsidy/concession rate was Rs. 6594 per MT during the year 2005-06.

Selection on Dahej as petro-chemical site

1209. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the region of Dahej in south Gujarat has been proposed by the State Government for development as petroleum, chemicals and petro-chemicals investment region;

(b) whether Dahej has been selected by Government as one of the most important sites ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the resons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) to (d) A Task Force on Petroleum, Chemical and Petrochemical Investment Regions (PCPIR) has been constituted to enable quick and coordinated decision making and to provide an appropriate policy framework for the development of investment regions of requisite scale and level of facilities, with the involvement of world class developers and investors, in the field of petroleum, chemicals and petrochemicals. The policy is at the draft stage and locations would be considered in terms of the Policy. A definite time limit has not been fixed at this stage.

Revival of Bengal Chemicals Ltd.

1210. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI CHITTABRATAMAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the turnover, profit and loss account of Bengal Chemicals Ltd. during the last three years;